



# ANS Early Correspondence 1859

**Extent:** 32 items: 30 letters, 2 other documents.

**Part of:** American Numismatic Society, Early Correspondence, 1858-1908.

**Noted Writers:** Charles H. Morse.

**Main Recipients:** Frank H. Norton.

**Correspondents:** F.A. Goddard; Josiah Brewer; William H. Smith; John H. Hickox; [Director of Mint]; Jacob Resor; Gabriel N.P. Gale; Virgil Bull; J.T. Hodge; Augustus W. Colton; J. William Jacob; Charles H. Morse; Peleg Pease; Joseph B. Felt; Rev. J. Tellier; M.W. Dickeson; Mark W. Collet, M.D.; Charles E. Fitch; I.H. Klippart; William Hamilton; William P. Thompson; Phineas Ball Clerk; Numismatic Society of London; John West; D.R. Farnham.

**Noted Documents:**

- ANS Report of Committee on Ancient Cup [Feb. 3]
- ANAS Copy of Memorial to the Board of Managers of the Cooper Institute [May]
- Charles H. Morse: handwritten description of intentions of ANS as a society [undated]

ORIGINAL DRAFT OF APPLICATION FOR INCORPORATION

Wm. H. Smith to Norton	RE: application for membership	Jan. 17
Director of Mint to Norton	" proof coins	Jan. 26
Jacob Resor to Norton	" Numismatic publication?	Feb. 7
Gabriel Gale to Norton	" inquiry about a coin	Feb. 11
Virgil Bull to Norton	" " " membership	Feb. 18
J. T. Nodge to Norton	" Room 19 at Cooper Institute	Feb. 20
Augustus W. Colton to Norton	" coin information	Feb. 24
J. Wm. Jacob to Norton	" " collection	Feb. 25
Peleg Pease to Norton	" coin values	Mar. 12
Chas. H. Morse to Norton	" election as corres. member	Apr. 19
John West to Norton	" coins collected	Nov. 2
D. R. Farnham to Norton	" prices on American coins	Nov. 9

## ADDITIONAL LETTERS WHICH WERE COPIED

F. A. Goddard to Norton	Has "Antique Vase" - when to meet?	Jan. 7
Josiah Brewer " "	son in Greece, willing to make purchases	Jan. 14
Jno H. Hickox " "	accepts honorary mem. sends "American Coinage"	Jan. 24
Joseph B. Felt " "	" " "	Apr. 5
Rev. J. TellierSq	sends Fordham undergrad. medal	Apr. 5
M. W. Dickeson "	accepts Honorary mem.	Apr. 21
M. Collet M. D. "	accepts Corres. mem.	Apr. 22
Chas E. Fitch "	sends Franklin Inst. medal	Apr. 25
I. H. Klippart	" Agricultural medal	May 23
Wm Hamilton "	unable to send medal	July 13
Wm P. Thompson "	Buffalo wants Numis. society	July 18
Phinehas Ball Clerk	sends Worcester medal	Aug. 6
I. T. Hodge, Sec. Cooper Inst.	RE: rooms	Sept. 17
Phinehas Ball Clerk	sends electrotype seal	Oct. 12
Frank H. Norton to Numis. Soc. London	sends coins as donation	Oct. 26

Office of the Great Western Despatch,

251 Broadway, Corner Murray St.

New York, Jan 7<sup>th</sup> 1859

F. H. Norton Esq  
New York

Dear Sir

I have  
in my possession the "Antique Vase"  
which you may recollect having had  
some correspondence concerning with  
Mr C. Atwater, of Cleveland, Ohio.

My object in addressing  
you is to know when & where I can  
have an interview with you that  
you may see the Vase & negotiate  
for purchase of same if such is  
your desire,

Yours Resp<sup>y</sup>  
F A Goddard





Stockbridge, (Mass.) 14 Jan, 59  
Frank H. Norton Esq  
Cor. Secretary, American Numismatic  
Society, Astor Library, New York,

My Dear Sir,

Seeing the notice  
of the doings of your Society it oc-  
curred to me that my son now in  
Athens, Greece might be able to do  
you some service by executing any  
commissions you should entrust him  
for the purchase of coins, &c.

He has ~~himself~~ with very limited  
means made quite a fine collection  
for himself and his studies have so  
long and so practically been directed  
to the subject that I think he pos-  
sesses uncommon advantages for col-  
lecting coins on the various excursions  
he is making from Athens as a center  
(where he is mainly engaged in Greek studies)  
to different parts of Greece.

While a Tutor at Yale he has been called  
to arrange <sup>new</sup> a Collection of ~~the~~ coins as well as one  
of the late Mr. Steadman of Norwich Ct. For his  
acquaintance with the science I would refer you to  
Messrs. Woolsey, of Yale College, and for his pecuniary



responsibility, to his Uncle, Cyrus  
W. Field Esq. 11 Cliff Street, New York  
My son's address for a couple  
of months, will be

"Mr. Sirik P. Brewer,

Athens,

Greece "

via French Steamer. 17

He. where weight is within  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. and at 30 cts  
postage. He has just had funds despatched  
to him through Mr. F. who is ready  
thus. to communicate with him.

I merely add that I have  
just alluded to the subject in a letter  
to my son. Neither of us have any  
personal interest (other than the  
advancement of the science in our  
country) in any arrangement of  
the kind. Knowing however of his  
tact and that in purchasing for him-  
self he might often meet with duplicates  
which others would prize I simply throw  
out the humil suggestion.

Very respectfully, Yours,  
Josiah Brewer

✓  
Brooklyn, Jan 17<sup>th</sup> 1837

Mr. F. H. Norton:

Sir, I desire to become a member of the "Amer. Unitarian Society" and would thank you to propose my name at the next meeting.

Being a resident of Brooklyn I will avail myself of that provision in the Constitution which allows persons outside of Manhattan Island to be received at half the rates of New Yorkers.

Any communications that you may wish to direct to me you will please address to

Amos A. Smith  
corner of Fulton and Classon  
Avenues, Brooklyn, N. Y.





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Albany

Jan. 24. 1859.

Frank N. Horton Esq.

Cor. Secy.

Dear Sir,

I beg to return, thro  
you, my thanks for the honor of having  
been chosen an honorary member, of the  
"American Turnismatic Society". The distinc-  
-tion of an honorary membership of a turn-  
-ismatic association I can appreciate.

I have taken the  
liberty of sending you by express, a copy of "Ameri-  
-can Baniag" for the library of your society.

Respectfully Yours

Jno. N. Hickox



Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, Jan 26 1857.

Dear Sir,

I duly received your letter of the 15<sup>th</sup> inst.  
No proofs of the coinage of the present year have yet  
been struck. In the course of a few weeks, however,  
we shall have some on hand, when it will afford  
me pleasure to furnish your society with the proof  
coins requested.

Very Respectfully,  
S. B. Mumford,  
Director of the Mint.

Frank A. Norton Esq,  
Corresp. Sec. A. N. Society,  
Astor Library,  
N. Y.





American Numismatic  
Society.

Report of  
Committee  
on  
Ancient Coins.

Presented Feby 3<sup>d</sup> 1859





NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 12, 1859.

## AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY.

The chief feature of the last meeting of this Society was the following interesting

### REPORT.

The Committee appointed by the President of the American Numismatic Society, to report upon the antiquity and probable use of a certain cup left with the Society for examination, have the honor to present the following :—

The aforesaid cup, measuring in height ten and a half inches, and in its greatest circumference four and a half inches, is composed of solid silver, gilt, and is stated to be worth, by weight, ninety dollars, exclusive of its extrinsic value as a curiosity. Inserted in the sides of the cup in such a manner as to exhibit both reverse and obverse, the reverse being gilt, are twenty-one silver coins, each of about the size and numerical value of the American dollar. In the bottom of the cup, inserted in the same manner, are three silver coins of the same nature, while in the cover are inserted seven; making in all thirty-one coins. These coins are all Imperial, Archducal, Ducal, and Archiepiscopal pieces of Germany, Austria, Prussia, Bavaria, etc.; also comprising one Spanish piece of Carlos II., 1668, and one of Louis XIV., 1673, being the most modern. The dates varying from 1544 to 1673.

Surmounting the cover, and passing through one of the coins, is inserted a round ball or knob, around which are two bands of silver bearing this inscription: "Illa tuetur Imperium Romanum," roughly engraved. At the base of this ball, on the surface of the cover, and surmounting each one of the six coins therein inserted, are the following words: Zelosus—Religiosus—Magnanimus—Pius—Victoriosus—Pacificus. Whether these words have reference to the personages represented upon the coins immediately under them, or not, the committee are unable to decide.

Concerning the intended purpose of the cup, various suggestions have been made to the committee. By some it is considered to have been a votive offering, probably belonging to one of the continental churches. By others, to have been a gift of some loyal State or city to its sovereign during a royal progress, many such having been seen in Europe. The most probable explanation seems, however, to the committee to be this, that the cup is of German manufacture and was intended to be used, not as a drinking cup as some would suppose—its inconvenient shape precluding this intention—but as a wine heater, or muller, to be set before the fire. It is thus probably of private construction, and has been put only to private uses, the coins inserted being probably the whim of some later possessor, who having both coins and cup, has thought that in "union is strength," and that the best way to preserve both was to unite them. From the dates of the coins, the cup cannot in its present form boast of more than a century and a half of age, although it may have been manufactured originally at a much earlier date. The coins being all of nearly the same period, and having no special rarity or numismatic value, the committee have not considered it necessary to enumerate them.

(Signed,)

FRANK. H. NORTON, <i>Chairman</i> ,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
WM. S. FRED'K MAYERS,		
AUGUSTUS B. SAGE,		



*American Numismatic  
( & Archaeological )  
Society.*

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Surmounting the cover,  
and passing through one of  
the corners is inserted a round  
bull's head, a round shield  
are two bands of ribbon bearing  
this inscription: "Illa  
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(Signed)

(Copy)

Committee

{ Frank W. Moore Chairman  
J. S. Hook Mayers  
Augustus B. Sage

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✓  
Cincinnati Feby 7/59  
Frank H. Norton Esq  
New York

Dear Sir  
Will you please inform me  
if the Am. Numismatic Society  
publish their transactions, if  
so what is the subscription.

I am somewhat interested in  
the collection of Coins, and  
wish to make myself more con-  
versant on the subject than I  
now am.

Yours Respectfully  
Jacob Resor





copy here

✓  
Albany Feb 11<sup>th</sup> 59

Mr Frank H. Norton

Dear Sir:

Please inform me of  
what Country the endowment  
for service of a copper  
mine belongs to

I am obliged

Very Yours

John H. Cole

Hair Esq

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Goodman & Company



✓

Canastota Madison Co. N.Y.

Sept 18, 1859

Frank. H. Norton Esq

Cer. Sec. Am<sup>t</sup>. Numismatic Society

Dr. Sir. I noticed

in the N.Y. Tribune a short time since  
that a Society called the "American  
Numismatic Society" had been formed  
in New York of which you were officiating  
as Corresponding Secretary. Having taken  
some interest for the past few years  
in the collection of rare coins of different  
countries and the attainment of Numismatic  
intelligence I therefore thought I would  
write you, to ascertain what the objects  
and aims of said Society are, also  
whether membership are allowed who  
reside out of your city, if so upon what  
conditions individuals are allowed to  
become members &c. Will you have the  
kindness to write me giving such information as you  
can of said Society. Very Respectfully, Virgil Bull





✓  
Rockland Me. Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> 1879

Rev. Warton

Sir, I have learned that you will give any desired information of Numismatics, and for that reason have addressed you.

I have a coin which has on one side a chain of 13 round links in a circle; inside this chain circle is a ring upon which is "United States" and within the ring are the words "We are one". On the reverse is an indistinct design with the word "Erie" and the date 1787, also "Send your business". Can you tell me whether or no it ever belonged to the currency of this country.

I have a cent with the date 1771, which I presume is a Franklin cent. I took it to a coin

ordinary coin.

Will you give me the date  
of the valuable cents, their value  
and the reason why they are  
valued so highly.

Having a good opportunity  
to collect such coins, perhaps I can  
be of service to you, at all events  
by giving the requested information  
you with great oblige.

Your most humble servant.

Augustus W. Cotton

Direct to

Augustus W. Cotton

Book and Stationery.

Dear General "Inch"

My dear General

I am very much

pleased to hear

from the "Hesperian" cent in Portland Me. I have

a number of Societies exist in the United States

and be very much pleased to learn particularly

of the Society of the "Hesperian" cent in Portland Me.

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and as well as miscellaneous specimens

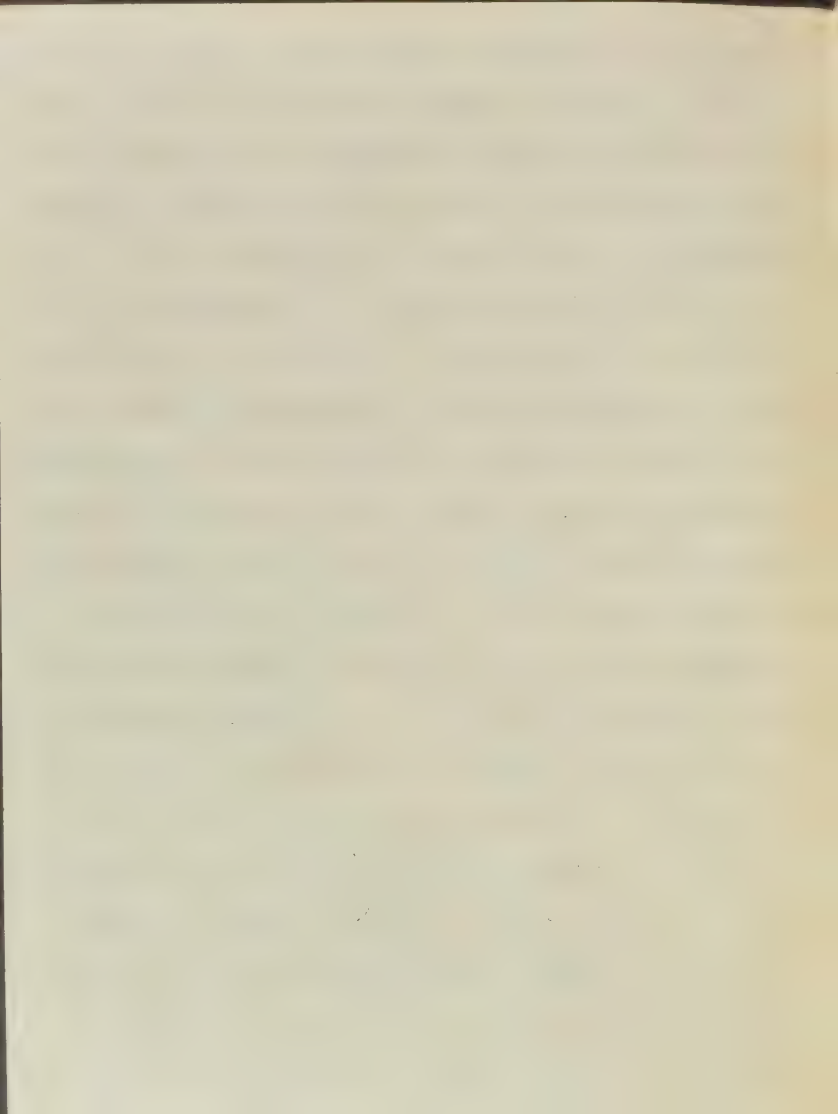
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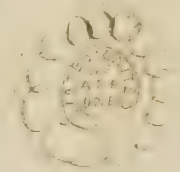
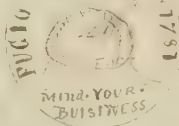
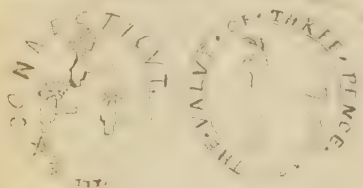
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New Bedford Mass. June 12 1857

Had in some Magazine  
 that information in the subject of Coins could be  
 obtained by addressing me & take the liberty of  
 writing you

I have a Copper Coin which appears to have  
 been issued in the State of Connecticut. I will copy  
 the inscription as I copy

also a cent date 1791

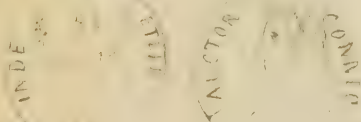


(A Copper Coin  
 Louis XVI date 1791)

(A Copper Coin  
 Georgius II date 1750 Helms)

(A Copper Coin date 1797)

(A Copper Coin  
 Georgius III in date)



A Silver Coin size of



The above are the before were given me 200

Credit for knowing or for knowledge of Coin.

I am of them one rare coin you  
can name me what is their value  
& obverse

Also the value of a silver 3 penny  
piece of the old Massachusetts joint currency,  
date 16 -

I should not take the liberty  
of addressing you and asking these questions  
but for the statement in the paper mentioned  
above (Portland Transcript) & the supposition that  
it is somebody's interest or pleasure to give  
information on such subjects

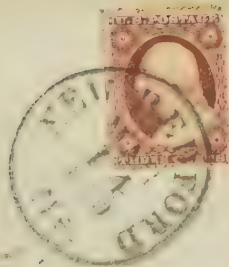
I have some other coins which may  
be rare but I have no means of knowing what  
are called for

Yours truly

Wm. L. Gove







Frank H. Norton Esq.  
Care of American Union Bank Bldg.  
(Water Street)  
New York  
N. Y.

Boston, April 5<sup>th</sup> 1859.  
Francis H. Norton Esq<sup>r</sup>

Dear Sir.

Yours of the 4<sup>th</sup> instant has just  
come to hand. It informs  
me, that the American Nu-  
ismatic Society have been  
pleased to give me a place  
among their Honorary Members.

For this mark of their atten-  
tion to me, — please tender  
to them my hearty thanks and  
best wishes for the prosperity  
of their laudable enterprise.

Very respectfully,

Yr Obedt Servant.

Joseph B. Felt.



✓ St John's Collegefordham  
April 8<sup>th</sup> / 89

Dear Sir

It is indeed with pleasure that  
I send you a sample of the silver  
medal, which we give as a premium  
of proficiency to the best pupil, in the three  
lower classes of our Undergraduates. In  
the vacant ground of the medal we engrave  
the names of the successful competitor, the class  
and the year. e.g. Francisus Forel in Rhetor.  
1887, Thomas Gibney in human lit. 1887, Richard  
Merrick in Supr. grammar 1887.

for the next commencement in July  
and henceforth we will have a Gold Medal

for the Graduating Class, to be  
awarded for the best biographical  
essay I am very respectfully

Dear Sir

Yours abt servant  
Rem<sup>d</sup> J. Telles Sr

Frank B. Norton, corresp. fr

Astor Library

✓  
16 State Street  
Boston April 19 1853

F. H. Norton Esq  
Yours informing me  
of my election as Corresponding  
Member of the "American Humane  
Society" is received. I shall be  
pleased to avail myself of the privilege  
if you will send me your Circular  
of Rules, terms &c

Truly  
Yours  
Chas B. May





St. Louis N. M. Jan 1847

Dear Sir,

Sir,

I received your official letter of the 13th inst., announcing my election as "Honorary Member" of the "American Society of Horology". By an error in some of the copies of the letter, I was informed with much surprise, from such a source, I was well to send of it to you.

Please make me grateful acknowledgments to the Society individually and collectively, also say to them, that we continue to be very pleased to be entitled to the name of a Society, to which mankind is much indebted for a lasting fact in the history of the world, which, I think, could never have been known in the obscurity of the past.

Very respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servant

Wm. W. Dickerson

" " "

Pharm<sup>a</sup>, June 2, 1857.

The inclosed was handed to a friend to be conveyed  
by him to its destination, who has been several times, inad-  
vertently, to return it in his possession till this time, which  
will account for any apparent neglect on my part.

Respectfully,

Yours &c.

M. W. L. Garrison

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Frank M. Norton Esq.

(or. Secy. &c.

Nor. York

✓  
329 So Broad Street,  
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

Ag<sup>d</sup> of the 4th Inst apprising  
me of my election as Corresponding  
member of the American Summation  
Society is received —

Be kind enough to convey to  
the Society my appreciation of the  
honor done me &

Very Respect

Markus Collat M. D.

Frank H. Weston Esq

Astor Library

New York

April 22. 1859

✓  
Sir

Will you be kind enough  
to let me know, my in-  
debtedness to the A. N. S.  
and the proper officer, to  
whom I shall send it

Respectfully  
Yours

F Norton Esq

Apr. 22. / 9

✓

Franklin Institute Room 1  
Syracuse 25 April 1859

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 21st inst. has but recently reached me, having been transmitted to me by my predecessor in office. This fact will account for the delay in answering -

Accompanying this communication you will please find one of our bronze medals. We would have forwarded a silver one, had not our recent fair exhausted all of that description.

Very Truly Yours,  
Chas. E. Hitch

Frank H. Ingraham Esq }  
In fee to E

for fee -





The Subscribers, desiring to establish in the City of New York,  
a Society whose objects shall be 'the collection and preservation  
of Coins and Medals, with an investigation into their history  
and other subjects connected therewith;' and believing that  
such a Society will conduce to the preservation of many  
relics of our own Coinage, and to the discovery of much  
Historical matter which will prove useful to the future  
student, respectfully beg leave to bring in a bill for the in-  
corporation of themselves into a Society by the name of the  
American Numismatic Society, with all the privileges and  
immunities usually granted by acts of incorporation to  
Public Societies. The Numismatic and Medallist history of our  
Country is replete with information concerning the events  
which have transpired during the most exciting period of  
our progress towards a nationality. From the rude Coinage of  
the Pine Tree Shilling, the Elephant piece, and the Maryland  
Currency; down to the more artistic efforts of our latter  
days, we may learn something in all. The <sup>story of the</sup> financial  
Crisis of 1837, is perhaps better told in the series of political  
tokens then issued than in books; even in our Historical  
Medals in their concise inscriptions, convey the same infor-  
-mation which a more labored and elaborate description  
<sup>often</sup> ~~would~~ fails to give, of the events they chronicle.

The increased attention which has of late been paid to  
the science of Numismatics, and its consequent popular-  
-ity, render it desirable in the minds of your  
petitioners, that every ~~reform~~ opportunity ~~of~~ for obtaining  
information on the subject should be rendered available  
to the public; and it is this <sup>result</sup> ~~which~~ that the proposed  
society ~~hope to effect~~ have in view, and which by  
well directed and continuous efforts they hope to effect.



American & Psephometric  
( & Archaeological )  
Society.

Copy of Memorial  
to the  
Board of Managers  
of the  
Cooper Institute.

May 1859.

New York

May 1857.

To the

Board of Management of  
the Cooper Institute;  
Gentlemen.

We the undersigned, Officers of the  
American Vernis-martin  
Society, respectfully solicit  
from your Honorable

Board, the permanent use  
of a room in the Cooper In-  
stitute, for our Society.

The objects of this Society  
being of a true scientific  
nature, and in perfect  
accordance with the design  
of the Founder of the Ins-  
titute, we trust our com-  
munication will meet with  
favor at your hands.

The science of Human  
anatomy, so long prevalent  
in the countries of Europe,  
is now rapidly engaging  
the attention of a numer-  
ous portion of the Scientific  
community of our own country.



The importance and interest  
of the study of coins, in  
a national point of view,  
is now fully understood  
by all enlightened govern-  
ments, and the extent  
of some of the public  
collections established  
and maintained with  
this conviction may, we  
think, be briefly glanced  
at here.

The Russian collection  
though of no great impor-  
tance, is a valuable one.

some thousands of interesting  
coins.

The Munich collection  
contains 2672 coins of  
Gold - 34,642 of Silver -  
37,186 of Copper.

That of Vienna is much  
more extensive, containing  
24,112 Greek coins of all  
metals - 30,402 Roman,  
and 38000 of the middle  
ages. But that of Turin  
surpasses all these in  
numbers, and in more  
than one class, both the

rarity and beauty of the  
specimens, are unrivalled.

We have briefly shown  
the interest coins offer  
to private study, and  
their advantages in a  
public light as being  
almost as important  
and instructive as a  
National Library.

It is the object of this  
Society to make a collection

of American coins metal  
"ale," &c. which may, we  
confidently hope, prove

epidemiatic history of  
the country.  
Wm. H. H. H.



OHIO STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

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State Agricultural Rooms,

Columbus, May 23 ..... 1859.

Enclosed please find a bronze medal,  
we have no silver ones on hand.

Respectfully

J. H. Klippart





Hall Franklin Institute,

Philadelphia, July, 13/59

J. H. Norton Esq

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New York

Sir

Yours of 24th April, ult was duly received - but my reply has been unintentionally delayed.

I regret that it is not in the power of the Franklin Institute at present to furnish your Society with copies of their medals - but when they can do it, it will be done with pleasure

Yours respectfully  
Wm Hamilton  
Secy



✓  
Buffalo N.Y.

July 18, 1859

Mr. Frank H. Norton

Dear Sir

Several gentlemen of this city are talking of starting a numismatic society here, and have requested me to send to you for a constitution and by laws of your society. If you would be so kind as to send one you will much oblige

Yours &c

Wm. P. Thompson  
Box 1184

I enclose stamp to pay postage.



Worcester Aug 6. 1839

Dear Sir.

As requested by your  
kind note of April 24. 1839 our  
Association has at last obtained  
a copy of their medal which  
they have been in the custom of  
awarding at Fairs for the purpose  
of depositing the same in the  
American Numismatic Association  
shall I send <sup>it</sup> to your Address.

And also the Association has a  
seal a printed impression of which  
is enclosed. Does your Association  
desire a copy of the electrotype seal  
or any other impression.

Yours Truly

Phineas Ball Clark  
Worcester Co. Mes. Assn.

Frank H. Norton Esq

Cor. Sec. Amer. Numismatic Assn.,  
Boston Library N. Y.





Office of the

Peter Cooper Inst<sup>e</sup>,

New York. Sept 17

1854

F. W. Norton, Esq. Cor. Sec. Amer. Numismat. Socy

Dear Sir,

In reply to your application for a room in the Union Building for your Society, Mr. Cooper desires me to say, that after the organization of the "Society of Arts," connected with the Union, rooms will then be at the disposal of associations like yours, that may become sections of that Society - without cost. The Society of Arts will probably be organized in the early part of the winter: and if you should ~~be~~ <sup>desiring</sup> the character of the institution be disposed to join it, you could in the meantime hire such room as would suit your purpose in this building at a moderate charge per night. I send you a copy of the Charter & By Laws of the Union, which will give you further information.

I am yours truly -

J. T. Hodges Secy.



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Office of the

Peter Cooper Inst'.

New York. Sep 20

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Mr. Norton,

Dear Sir,

You can have Room No.  
19 same size as 24 - on the same  
floor & nearer the outer door.

24 is engaged for *Thurs* night.

Yours truly,

J. T. Hodge.

Cash. Coop. Union



Worcester Oct 12. 1839

Frank H. Norton Esq.

Sec. Am. Mechanistic Assoc N. Es.

Dear Sir

I have  
the pleasure for and in behalf of the Worcester  
County Mechanics Association of presenting  
to your Association one of the Electrotypes  
Seals of the Association and also a copy  
of the Medals issued by them at their  
Fairs. The Receipt of which you will  
have the kindness to acknowledge

Yours Truly in behalf of the Wor. Ass.

Mrs. Ass.

Phineas Ball Clerk





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Coinage, for the Year 1854; <sup>vii</sup> ~~Associating~~  
w One Dollar (100 cents) One Half-Dollar  
(50 cents) One Quarter Dollar (25 cents)  
One Dime (10 cents) One Half-Dime  
(5 cents,) One Cent (nickel.)

And remain

With respect

Your Obedt. Servant.

Frank H. Norton

Corresponding Secretary  
Am. Numis. Socy.

Assistant Librarian

Astor Library  
New York City.

To  
The Numismatic Society  
of London  
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their value, they are the  
 same as 1846 placed at the  
 value. I have also <sup>12 others</sup> a piece  
 which the following is a vase mill;  
 the other  
 is more of  
 them set,



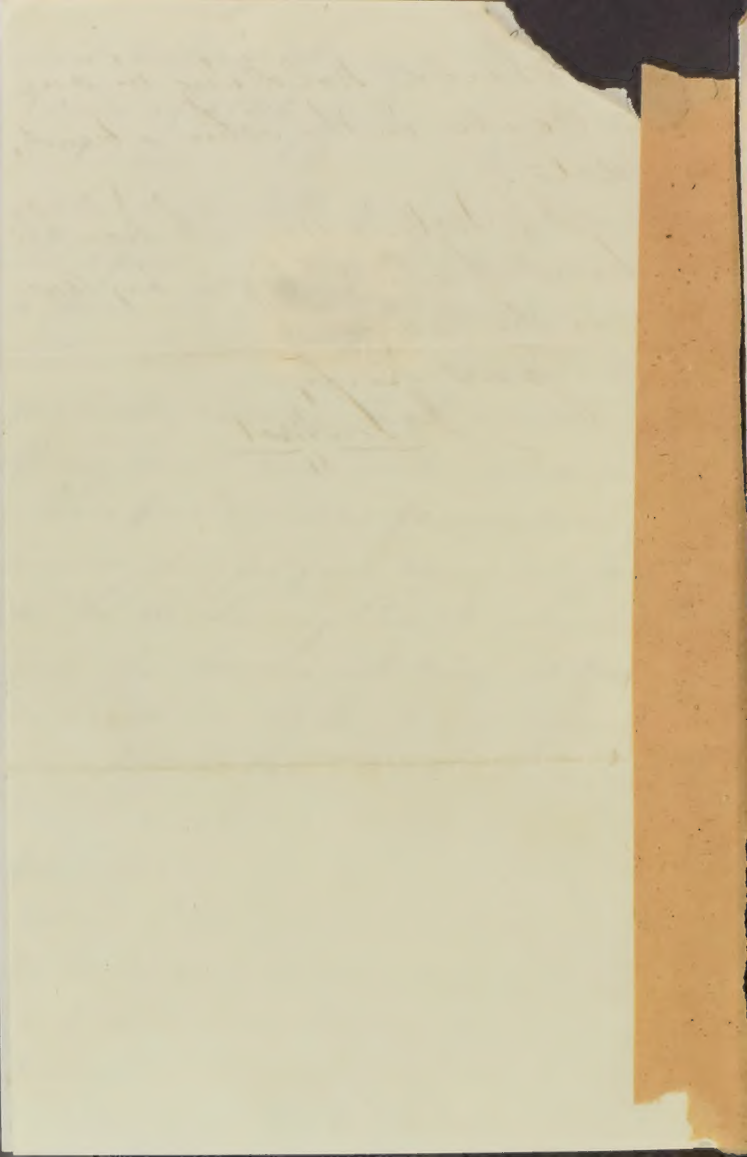
or what is more  
 probable, owing to its immersion. I  
 have never received an impression;  
 this piece was found by some  
 one digging for gold some at the mouth  
 of the Washington Creek, which empties  
 into the Washakie River at Oakes,  
 Nevada Co. Cal., it was about 20  
 inches below the surface; it  
 weighed about that of a 2 lb. shell,  
 piece.

also a copper piece about the size  
 of the half cent having, on one side  
 a head somewhat like Columbus  
 with a wreath of oak leaves  
 around the pericarpic part.

Shield holding in one  
hand scales in the other & a branch,  
no date.

If that is much trouble  
I should feel obliged by an-  
swers to the above

Yours truly,  
John West  
"1"



Chicago Nov. 9. 1859

Mr F. H. Anthony  
Cor. Secy of "Am"  
Numismatic Society

Dear Sir

Can you favor me with  
a list of "rare American Coins"  
with present prices in New  
York. if so, by sending  
one to my address you  
will greatly oblige

Yours Very Respectfully

H. R. Farnham  
Chicago

Box 2359

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P.S. If you have no list - will you  
please hand this (at your convenience)  
to a dealer in Coins

Respectfully H. R. F.



